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Applicant: Jeffrey D. Irwin, et al.

Serial No.: 09/800,368

Art Unit: 1751

Filed: March 6, 2001

Examiner: Elisa B. Elhilo

For: MOISTURE BARRIER FABRIC AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application. A request for a three month extension of time is enclosed herewith.

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The Examiner restricted the prosecution of the application to one of the following four groups:

- Group I Claims 1-5 and 36, drawn to a method of needling fabric;
- Group II Claims 6-13, drawn to a method of washing fabric;
- Group III Claims 14-21, drawn to a method of coating fabric; or

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Group IV      Claims 22-35, drawn to a method for treating fabric with a solution.

Applicants hereby elect with traverse the invention of Group I as represented by claims 1-5 and 36. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims form part of a single inventive concept and that search and examination of all of the groups along with group one will not impose any undue burden on the examiner. Accordingly applicants respectfully submit that the restriction requirement is erroneous and should be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,



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1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
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1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	930
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee	
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1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)	
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1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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